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1. Captain Khromtsov,* Chief of the Agricultural Planning Section of the Soviet
    Control Commission in Karlshorst, mentioned orally to Eckloff of the Agricul-
    tural Planning Section of the DDR State Planning Commission that he had noticed
    several discrepancies between the 1952 agricultural control figures and the
    figures for 1952 within the Five-Year-Plan, and he wished to have an explana-
    tion. Eckloff mentioned three of these discrepancies specifically in an office
    memorandum to his staff and stated that all of the 1952 agricultural control
    figures were to coincide with the original figures of the Five-Year-Plan.

2. The following adaptation of the 1952 domestic animal control figures for the
    V.E.G.'s was drawn up in collaboration with Captain Khromtsov:

    Horses – to remain at present figure of 16,000 instead of being reduced to
              12,000 as planned, because the Volkspolizei would soon be needing more
              horses.
    Cattle – to remain as planned
    Cows   – plan to be reduced from 50,000 to 48,000
    Milk   – to be expanded to 4,100 kg.
    **Pigs – 132,000 to 200,000
    Sows   – 19,000 to 23,000
    Sheep   – as planned – 218,000
    Fowl   – 125,000 (100,000 hens) – eggs as planned
    **Slaughter weight for pigs – 110 kg instead of 120 kg.
    Slaughter weight for cattle – to remain as planned.

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*▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓ Captain Khromtsov, Chief of the Agricultural Planning Section
    of the Soviet Control Commission is a heavy set man about 38 years old and
    probably a White Russian. He is probably an accountant by training. His
    principal efforts are expended in pushing the development of the LAS, the
    VEG's and the Genossenschaften.

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**▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓: The decrease in authorized slaughter weight and the increase
    in numbers of pigs expected is intended to increase the turnover rate of pigs.

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